IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) An electrophotographic printer having a high speed toning shell, comprising:

   a developer station, comprising a toner blender, toner bucket and toning shell, the toner blender driven by a blender drive shaft, the toner bucket driven by a bucket drive shaft;

   a first intermediate drive sprocket affixed to the blender drive shaft such that rotation of the blender drive shaft directly causes rotation of the first intermediate drive sprocket;

   a second intermediate drive sprocket affixed to the bucket drive shaft to permit free rotation of the second intermediate drive sprocket relative to the bucket drive shaft;

   an intermediate drive chain connecting the first and second intermediate drive sprockets, wherein the second intermediate drive sprocket has a larger diameter than the first intermediate drive sprocket;

   a first primary drive sprocket affixed to the second intermediate drive sprocket, such that rotation of the second intermediate drive sprocket directly causes rotation of the first primary drive sprocket;

   a second primary drive sprocket affixed to the toning shell;

   a primary drive chain connecting the first and second primary drive sprockets, wherein the first primary drive sprocket has a smaller diameter than the second primary drive sprocket.

2. (Original) The electrophotographic printer of claim 1, further comprising a tension sprocket assembly to maintain tension on the intermediate drive chain.

3. (Original) The electrophotographic printer of claim 2, wherein the tension sprocket assembly comprises a tension sprocket that is biased against the intermediate drive chain to exert tensioning pressure on the intermediate drive chain.

4. (Original) The electrophotographic printer of claim 3, wherein the tension assembly is biased against the drive chain by a spring.

5. (Original) An electrophotographic developing station having a high speed toning shell, comprising:

a toner blender, toner bucket and toning shell, the toner blender driven by a blender drive shaft, the toner bucket driven by a bucket drive shaft;

a first intermediate drive sprocket affixed to the blender drive shaft such that rotation of the blender drive shaft directly causes rotation of the first intermediate drive sprocket;

a second intermediate drive sprocket affixed to the bucket drive shaft to permit free rotation of the second intermediate drive sprocket relative to the bucket drive shaft;

an intermediate drive chain connecting the first and second intermediate drive sprockets, wherein the second intermediate drive sprocket has a larger diameter than the first intermediate drive sprocket;

a first primary drive sprocket affixed to the second intermediate drive sprocket, such that rotation of the second intermediate drive sprocket directly causes rotation of the first primary drive sprocket;

a second primary drive sprocket affixed to the toning shell; and

a primary drive chain connecting the first and second primary drive sprockets, wherein the first primary drive sprocket has a smaller diameter than the second primary drive sprocket.

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